

The Coldwater cutter factory is now working forty hands.

Prospects for a big slate-mill being located in Coleman are excellent.

Subscriptions to the amount of \$3,000 have been pledged toward the new Congregational church to be built at Grand Blanc.

Saginaw City National-Guards are taking steps toward being incorporated under the name of the Saginaw Military Company.

The best-paid teacher in the Saginaw schools receives \$120, and the poorest \$10 per month. There are eighty-one teachers in all.

At a special election July 11 the people of Schoolcraft County will vote on a proposition to expend \$7,000 for a new jail and Sheriff's residence.

The Midland County womenfolk beat the "grim messenger" last year by a majority of 108, and they didn't half try, either.

Kalamazoo Telegraph.

Michigan holds the championship of the Union as a simple manufacturing State. From 1,749 establishments 2,354,717,000 are made per annum.

Alpena High School teachers will remain the same next year with the exception of Prof. Volland, who goes to Grand Rapids, and Miss Hattie McElroy, who has resigned.

Ex-President Dugan, of Hillsdale, did not return marriage solemnized by him during his administration and was haled up before a Justice and fined \$5 and costs for his neglect.

Adrian Johnson and John Melin tell in Iron Mountain, Melin was killed and Johnson fatally injured. Melin was falling and Johnson tried to save him, with the above result.

Christopher R. Melby, owner of an extensive retail gentleman's furnishing goods store in Detroit, with branches in several other towns and cities, died last week, aged forty-nine. He broke down physically and mentally from overwork.

An unknown man entered a dwelling at Grindstone City, a young woman, Marye Morgan, being the only occupant of the time. After stabbing her, he cut her about the face, neck, and breast with a knife, inflicting probably fatal wounds, and escaped.

Philip Wheaton, of Otisville, an old soldier aged about eighty years, died Tuesday and was buried Thursday. He had been unable for fifteen years to read without glasses, but a few hours before he died he read a chapter from the Bible, seeing as well as when a boy.

The announcement that a mine in Houghton County, adjacent to the Calumet and Hecla, has struck the rich copperiferous mineral which has made the latter the most productive copper mine in the world, will be good news to those who are interested in Lake Superior.—Free Press.

If you see a "ministerial-looking man, dressed in a Prince Albert coat and white necktie," and don't know or want him, Sheriff Gorman, of Richland, Ind., says, He describes such a man as liable to be abroad in Michigan and wants him on a charge of stealing a pair of horses on Aug. 1.—Kalamazoo Telegraph.

When the enterprising burglar is a burglar, is a burglar.

He loves to be respected and polite.

And polite.

He mourns like a pleasant brook gurgling.

Brook's gurgling.

Will you kindly show me through the house to-night?

House to-night?

The old Pontiac tree, an historic landmark of Detroit has succumbed to me. It was of whitewood, and sixteen feet in circumference. Pelted with bullets, it derived its name from having shielded Pontiac, the Indian chief, in his defense of Detroit's attack, which gave the name to Bloody Run, the stream near which it stood, about fifty feet from Jefferson avenue.—Detroit Evening Journal.

Eddie Mines, a Detroit tough, was knocked down at Flint and severely pained. It was in this wise: Eddie is one of those smart youths who regard the world as common plunder and go for it whenever opportunity offers. He has been following up Forepaugh's show as a ticket broker, making short change with every sucker he can inveigle. He struck an old granger at Flint, played his game on him, but had to disgorge, and went madly and with great informality to grass in the bar-gate.—Exchange.

Sam Lawrence, connected with Cole's circus, which showed here last night at Houghton (Michigan), was shot and instantly killed this morning by a companion named Charles Barry, who had seriously wounded by a pistol shot through the body. The inquest brought out the fact that a quarrel existed between the two men, and that Lawrence entered the sleeping-car where Barry was in his bunk and put a ball through him under the shoulder blade, after which Barry immediately died and killed his assailant. The testimony was so far failed to implicate others, but the inquest has been adjourned for the purpose of investigating that point. Barry's recovery is doubtful. The managers of the circus have made every effort to assist the officers in obtaining the facts.

R. D. Price, for ten years a member of the Detroit Post and Tribune editorial staff, has struck it rich at San Francisco. He has been installed manager, at a fat salary, of the theater built by the rich banker Balston for John McCullough.

Observations taken recently at the Agricultural College, observatory revealed sixty spots on the sun's surface. Two of them were over 30,000 miles in diameter.

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O. PALMER, EDITOR & PROPRIETOR.
THURSDAY, JULY 9, 1863.

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POLITICAL AND MISCELLANEOUS.

General Grant is reported to be improving in strength. His book is completed.

The Washington correspondent of the Detroit Free Press says: "Congressman Fisher, of the Bay City District, is quietly urging forward appointments in his district and there is every promise now that the result of his labors will soon be made known." — *Detroit Post.*

If such men as Meade of Copiab are disqualified from public service under a Democratic administration, Mr. Cleveland will have to look elsewhere than in the Democratic party in the South for men to fill the offices. — *Lexington, Miss., Advertiser, (Dem.)*

Gen. Longstreet, in his article on "The Seven Days' Fighting" about Richmond" in the *July Century*, after discussing the Confederate leaders, says: "Without doubt the greatest man of rebellion times, the one who less among forty millions for the peculiar difficulties of the period, was Abraham Lincoln."

Florence Marryatt urges her fellow women to "sit on the men; they will be better and wiser for it, at present. All right, Florence; we haven't much of a lap and we lack experience, but for the honor of our sex we will accept the defiance in the name of oppressed man. Office hours from 9 p. m. to 2 a. m. Send along your best letter. — *Bardette.*

If the Democratic organization in the southern states depends for its perpetuation upon the encouragement of such methods as prevailed in Calhoun county a few years ago—if it be true, as charged, that the Democratic leaders in those states have built up their party upon cornerstones of murder, terrorism and trickery—then that organization is doomed. — *Washington Post, (Dem.)*

The Detroit Free Press, says: "It is figured that it will take 334 years to fill all the offices with democrats, taking the changes thus far as a basis. We presume most of the party are bound to wait." Let them wait, we can stand it, but we are not surprised, for competent material in that party is not very plentiful. They will have to revise the civil service rules, and lower the standard of qualification.

Mackin, one of the Chicago ballot-box stuffers, and a member of the Democratic committee, has been convicted of perjury in connection with the election frauds, the verdict fixing his sentence at 5 years' imprisonment. This is another warning to the rest of the gang of scoundrels who have been doing "fine work" for the Democratic party in that city. If ever men deserved state prison, the members of the Chicago Democratic gang deserve it. — *Det. Post.*

The Democratic press is drumming the tune that the war is over, that the South was glad that it was whipped, that the Southern people are loyal to the Union, as those of the North, that to say anything about the condition of the negro is to wave the bloody shirt, and so on. The Ohio Republican platform takes as the true and patriotic ground that the attempt to disfranchise a class of voters is a matter of public concern. It pledges the Republicans of Ohio to a policy that will protect their rights. — *Northern Tribune.*

The New York Evening Post is publishing some astonishing statistics of the loyal south during the war of the rebellion. It credits Delaware with having contributed to the union army about 75 per cent of her available military population, while Missouri sent 77 per cent, Maryland 49 per cent, and Kentucky 44 per cent. If this be true there ought to be as many federal as confederate soldiers in those states, but President Cleveland can find none but ex-confederates in the south for appointment to office, and the people, or the democratic party in those states, can find nobody but ex-confederates to elect to office. Is the administration like its party at the south, discriminating against those who were true to the country? — *Day City Tribune.*

The recent telegraphic accounts of the barbarities practised on the convicts of the South Carolina state prison, read like pages from Stephen's "Russia Under the Tsars." Yet it is doubtless true that the prison system in most of the Southern states is conducted very much on the South Carolina plan. The calling up of convicts at 3 o'clock in the morning and sending them to work five or six miles away, where they are kept at hard labor, and only allowed to get back to camp at 9 o'clock at night, is inhuman; but it is the result of the system of leasing the convicts for work outside the prison limits, and this in return is one of the results of the old system of slavery, the curse and blight of which still rests on Southern institutions. — *Blade.*

Among the presidential appointments on last Wednesday was Wm. L. Clegg, a West Point graduate and captain in the United States army who resigned to join the Confederate army. While it is expected that confederates will get their share of the offices under a Democratic administration, and perhaps more than their share, the repeated appointments of men educated at the expense of the United States in West Point, who broke their oaths, deserted the flag, and resigned positions in the Union army to take positions in the rebel army, and use the military skill taught them by the government in fighting against the government, and who have never repented thereof, cannot escape unfavorable comment by loyal citizens. — *Detroit Post.*

The Washington Post, democratic organ, finds it necessary to protest against the star chamber methods of investigation and of preferring charges against clerks, and does so in the following vigorous fashion:

Things were managed thus by the council of ten when the life and honor of the noblest in the land were at the mercy of every anonymous assassin. Such methods flourished in the days of Torquemada—ever later, when malice, tyranny, hatred and savagery turned into evil life the *lettre de cachet*. But civilization has long ago condemned them, and every fibre of a freeman's heart protests against their restoration. * * * The transfer of the government to the democracy can be effected without resorting to methods so unwholesome and abhorrent. * * * This practice of incriminating, prosecuting, and condemning republican office-holders, trying them without a hearing, and casting them out branded with a nameless crime, is the most repulsive thing to which our politics has ever given birth. If persisted in it will disgust and alienate every man, and it will bury its authors and contrivers fathoms deep in oblivion.

A Question of Rights. It is generally admitted that what a man by labor produces is his against the world. He has a right to do as he pleases with it, providing he does not infringe the right of any other person. If a tailor makes a coat and a cobbler a pair of shoes, what business has government to interfere if they wish to exchange? Yet this is just what the tariff aims to do. It says to the tailor and the cobbler, "Exchange if you will, but we shall fine you for it." — *Evening News.* The tariff does nothing of the sort. This is one of the unequivocal free trade lies, kept in stock in the Cobden club and the mental attics, to be used on the slightest pretext. As a matter of fact the tariff says to the cobbler and the tailor: "Go ahead! make whatever exchange you choose and we stand here to keep out outsiders off and give you fair play. We shall not let any great, lusty, hulking fellow, who has grown fat off the work of starved labor, come between you to rob one of you of a fair bargain and to cheat the other, and without restriction to force you both to accept the product of his starved labor instead of each other's products."

The tariff says further that this lusty foreign producer shall not infringe on the rights of the cobbler and the tailor, and that is in exact accord with the general principle our anti-labor-contemporary advances. In the first sentences we have quoted and which it seeks to give a perverted application in its lame and contradictory illustration. It requires only a fertile ingenuity to make such an illustration—the sophistical invention of impracticable theory. The cobbler and the tailor are not likely to be deceived, however, by any argument that favors the abrogation of any arrangement by which they are protected in their right to trade and against the infringement of such right by an outside party. — *Det. Post.*

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Gen. Logan in Boston. A large number of prominent gentlemen, representing the bar, bench, pulpit, platform, counting room and council chamber, were in attendance at the reception given Monday night by the Norfolk club to Gen. John A. Logan, at the Parker House.

In his speech Gen. Logan referred to the debt which the west owes Massachusetts, and to the influence exerted by her. In nothing was this influence more clearly and permanently imprinted upon the nation than in the matter of education.

Speaking of "reforms" Gen. Logan said: "In my opinion, that reform which will guarantee personal rights will be of more advantage to the country than transferring the funds of the government from the sub-treasuries of the United States to banks."

Of civil service reform, he said: "It is the child of the republican party, but unfortunately has been put out to law with a stranger, and, if not dead now, looks sick unto death. The law is now being construed to the effect that a person who voted the republican ticket of the last election committed a crime against the peace and dignity of the democratic party, and offense heretofore unknown; to law or politics, to wit: offensive partisanship." Mr. chairman, an offensive partisan is a republican; an effective partisan is a democrat. He is to be appointed a reward for his political merit. His appointment will not improve the public service, I saucy, but

is made for partisan reasons only. Democrats have been diligently searching for "rascals," with a view of turning them out, as they should have been had they been found. Every time they have searched for a rascal they have found only an offensive partisan, and have instantly turned him out.

The republican party has had undisputed leadership for the past 24 years. The principles announced and policies announced and maintained in its record of splendid achievements have challenged the admiration of the foremost men of the entire world. Such a party must lead; it cannot follow. Such a party deserves, and must again achieve success. I have no fears for the future of the republican party. Its principles, knocking at the door of the conscience of the people, will regenerate admission."

Every week we secure new evidence of the worth of Northern Michigan becoming known. Our farmers have at fine crops of the leading products as can be expected—with the exception of corn, of which there is but little planted—from appearance. And now comes a tribute of praise in regard to quality of one of the products of Northern Michigan, by a commission merchant of Chicago, in the *Tribune* of that city. He says: "old potatoes would have dropped out of the market three weeks ago, but for the shipments from Northern Michigan of Burbanks, Peachblows, Early Rose, Beauty of Hebron, in *very fine condition*." That is an escomium, coming as it does from one of the leading and most reliable papers of the United States, that should tickle the heart of every farmer in Rosecrans County, for it verifies his knowledge of the quality, precedence, of his potatoes. He knows he can beat the "old sod" in regard to quality, and when that is praised, in a centre like Chicago, it is a safe conclusion to draw that Northern Michigan potatoes may soon have a world wide reputation. Continuing his conversation with the reporter, the commission merchant gives it as a fact that the country "around Traverse City will be the best potato-producing district in the United States, in the near future, and that enterprising Chicago capitalists have gone up there to establish potato-farms." We are in the tier of counties immediately south of Grand Traverse County, and but one county intervenes to the west, and it has a famous local reputation for the excellence of this product, we have good grounds on which to include Rosecrans in the "best potato-growing district" of the future. — *Ros. News.*

Ex-President Arthur is off on his annual fishing expedition in Canada, and fancy free, while his successor is cooped up in Washington ready for fishing for men and bringing up a rank sucker every once in a while.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the following named parties have filed a claim for land, and that final proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Crawford County, on the 25th day of August, 1863, in the case of John H. Bower, Luman J. Miller, all of Rosecrans, widow of James Collier, deceased, homestead application No. 1952, for the N. E. 34 S. 14 T. 4 W.

She names the following witnesses to prove her continuous residence upon, and cultivation of said land, viz: Eugene Hall, Hugh Hamilton, John H. Bower, Luman J. Miller, all of Rosecrans, June 29, '63.

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NEWS CONDENSED.

Concise Record of the Week.

EASTERN.

Mount MacGregor (N. Y.) telegram: "Don Grant's physician says that, while his distinguished patient's life has been prolonged by the transfer to Mount MacGregor, the fact remains that his loss of strength with each succeeding day." Washington telegram: "Col. Dent, Don Grant's brother-in-law, who is in Washington, said yesterday that he had received information from the family that the cancer had commenced to invade the jugular vein, and that death was a question of but a few days in the opinion of the physicians."

Mrs. Lucille Yeout Dudley, who some time ago made an unsuccessful attempt to assassinate O'Donovan Rossa, has been acquitted by a New York jury on the ground that she was insane at the moment of firing the shot.

The total exports of produce from New York last week were valued at nearly \$7,000,000.

Abel Davies, of Des Moines, Iowa, a student at Cornell, was accidentally knocked from the bridge at Livermore Falls, N. H., and, falling on the rocks beneath, was killed instantly.

Edward A. and George H. Boyd, father and son, convicted at New York of defrauding the Government by illegally importing plate-glass, have been sentenced, the son to pay \$1,000 fine, and the father to be imprisoned for two years.

According to the new directory of New York, the population of that city is now 1,000,000.

Wm. Mencken was hanged at Birmingham, N. Y., for the murder of Eddie Brothman in Elmira, Jan. 1, 1881.

Mrs. Lucille Dudley, the English woman who attempted to shoot O'Donovan Rossa, when taken to the insane asylum at Middletown, N. Y.

Mr. James Russell Lowell has presented to Harvard College a valuable collection of books which he acquired during his residence abroad.

WESTERN.

Azari, Silverski, and Gelardi, three of the five Italians implicated in the Caruso murder at Chicago, were convicted and the death sentence fixed by the jury. Mercurio and Dova were declared not guilty. The murder was one of the most dastardly in the criminal "unions" of Chicago. The victim was a friend, companion, and fellow-countryman of the assassins. While he was being shaved by one of them, two others threw a rope over the neck of the unsuspecting man, and, after choking him till life was extinct, buried him up to the chin in a large trunk, and packed the remains into it. They then smothered the victim, went into the street, hid an express wagon, entered the body to the depot, and shipped it to Pittsburgh. Two of the murderers, who were arrested in New York while in the act of purchasing passage to Italy with money taken from the clothes of their victim.

The trial of Joseph C. Mackin, of Chicago, for perjury in connection with the recent election fraud inquiry, resulted in a verdict of guilty, and a sentence of five years' imprisonment in the Penitentiary.

The sensation of the week in Chicago has been the great strike of the conductors and drivers of the West Division Rock Island Railway Company, causing a total suspension of street car traffic on the West Side, embracing over half the population of the city. Public sympathy was entirely with the strikers, and attempts to run the cars were met with determined resistance on the part of the non-striking. The company would start cars out from the barns guarded by squads of police and Deputy Sheriffs, but vast crowds would block the tracks, drive the men from the platforms, and return the cars to the barns or turn them upside down in the streets. Several of the drivers and conductors were assaulted with stones and clubs and severely injured, and a number of the strikers arrested on charges of riot and disorderly conduct. At one time Major Harrison appeared on the scene and attempted to reason with the mob, but was compelled to beat a hasty retreat. Omnibus, express, wagons, and other conveyances did a large business in carrying passengers.

An incendiary fire in Cleveland a mother and two children were burned to death, and a number of persons injured in leaping from windows.

Estimates of the coming Minnesota and Dakota wheat crop place the same at 21,000,000 and 21,000,000 bushels, respectively.

Disputes from St. Paul intimate that the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad has absorbed the Fargo Southern Railroad, running from Fargo to Cincinnati.

Henry Gruber, a German commission merchant, made an assignment, liabilities estimated at \$30,000, and assets between \$35,000 and \$40,000.

Adolph B. Spreckels, charged with assault and intent to murder M. H. De Young, proprietor of the San Francisco Chronicle, has been acquitted by a jury.

Heavy rains in Kansas have resulted disastrously in crops in low lands, and compelled many families to move away. Railways tracks have been washed out and bridges swept away.

Three hotels, eight shops, and several saloons and dwellings at Potosi, Wis., were destroyed by fire, which broke out in the Duke House. The loss reaches \$75,000.

It is feared at Tombstone that Lieut. Huon and six men, who were sent from Opati to San Bernardino in charge of the prisoners captured in the recent fight at the former place, have been massacred, as they have not reached their destination, and no traces of them can be found. The settlements on the Mimbres and Gila rivers in Colorado are threatened by the Utes, and the Governor has been appealed to for protection.

SOUTHERN.

A colored mob at Adams Station, Miss., lynched Lieut. Holt, a negro, who had killed his wife.

André J. Diamond, ex-Naval Officer at New Orleans, a leading Republican politician, committed suicide, shooting his pistol by force from his head, and blowing out his brains. He leaves a large estate.

Eighteen horse-thieves have been hanged in Texas in two weeks, and detectives are hunting others with bloodhounds.

James McDaniels, a Texas desperado, who was recently sentenced to ninety-nine years' imprisonment for robbing the mail, escaped from jail and fled to a ranch near San Antonio, where he was shot and killed by officers while resisting arrest.

WASHINGTON.

Washington telegram: "An annual sum of \$100,000 has been appropriated by Congress for the surveying contracts that have been come up from Surveyors General since his term of office began. Finding these contracts coming in at the rate of some \$30,000 to \$40,000 monthly in excess of the annual appropriation by Congress, he instituted an inquiry, which developed a surprising looseness of administration, facilitating fraud."

The national expenditures for the fiscal year ended June 30 were \$310,000,000, average \$231,000,000, or \$7,000,000 less than the estimates. During the year 146 national banks were organized, and the charters of 73 national banks were extended twice.

The decrease of the public debt for the month of June was about \$3,000,000.

Comparatively no changes were made at the beginning of the fiscal year in the State, War, and Navy Departments, and the clerks who feared that they might possibly receive a dreaded yellow envelope July 1 became reassured as the day passed without being notified to quit.

The coinage at the various mints during June was \$4,089,861, of which \$2,370,160 was in standard dollars.

POLITICAL.

The following appointments by the President are announced from Washington: William W. Rockhill, of Maryland, as Secretary of the Legation of the United States to China; Charles Denby, Jr., of Indiana, as the new Minister to China, to be succeeded by the Brazilian Minister to the United States; Attorney for the Southern District of New York; Martin T. McMahon, to be United States Marshal; for the same District; Benjamin F. Jones, of Louisiana, as Collector of Customs for the District of New Orleans; E. S. Wilson, of Jackson, Miss., as editor and proprietor of the New Mississippi, to be also Receiver of Public Monies at Evanston, Wyoming; James E. Hayes, of Wisconsin, to be Justice of the Supreme Court of the Territories of Idaho; to be Marshal of the Idaho team, was appointed from the States—William L. Cabel, of Texas, for the Northern District of Texas; James M. McDaniel, for the Northern District of Mississippi; George W. Nichols, of the United States Attorney's Office, for the Northern District of Ohio; Charles D. Pearson, of Texas, for the Northern District of Texas. To be Postmasters—Mattle C. Ohlman, at Hampton, Va.; Bartholomew, Tristram, at Marion, Ohio; Thomas H. Deale, at Hamilton, N. Y.; Sam'l M. Childs, at Atlantic, Iowa; Horace R. Alexander, at Ludington, Mich.; M. B. Burt, at Madison, Ind.

The President has appointed Edward D. Bassett, of New Haven, Conn.; Joseph H. Gillette, Director of Customs for the port of Chattanooga, Tenn.; Charles H. Ingraham, of Maine, Consul of the United States at Cadiz; James Tanner Lee, of Maryland, Secretary of Legation of the United States to Austria-Hungary; and Nathan E. Gistel, Attorney of Merchants in the District of Buffalo Creek, N. Y.

The State Convention of the Republicans of Ohio, at Springfield, was the largest gathering the party has yet had in the State. The following ticket was placed in the field:

Governor, the Rev. A. H. Leonard, of Springfield; Lieutenant Governor, Prof. W. S. Frost; of Lorain County; Supreme Judge, Glenn S. Sturtevant, of Huron County; Treasurer, John H. Bennett; Lt. Gov. County; Attorney General, A. C. Clevinger, of Clinton County; Board of Public Works, J. S. Neville, of Hardin County; Dr. E. Lamb, of Indiana; United States District Attorney for Indiana, and Samuel H. Hauser, of Helena, Montana, Governor of Montana Territory.

Fourth of July was observed throughout the country in the usual fashion. There were, however, no notable demonstrations in the larger cities. At Washington the President passed a quiet day at the White House, in the morning disposing of a lot of unimportant business, and in the evening was joined by members of his Cabinet in a social chat and smoke. In New York Townspeople celebrated the day by a gathering at the Casino, where speeches were made and the Declaration of Independence was read. In the evening a grand ball was given in the hall of the American Legion, and the entertainment was uneventful.

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The Madras rice crop has failed, and famine is imminent in the interior.

The Hova were repulsed by the French in an attack upon Port Magunga, Madagascar.

The London *Lancet*, after reviewing the facts in the case, arrives at the conclusion that Mrs. Dudley was perfectly sane when she shot her son.

The French Institute has awarded its honoris causa to Dr. Henry Seward, for his discoveries in physiology.

The French Socialists have issued their platform of "principles" for the coming electoral campaign. They demand a complete change in the social, political, and industrial systems of France.

LATER NEWS ITEMS.

Business failures throughout the country for the week ending July 4 were 201, against 203 for the preceding week, and 220 for the week before that.

Manager Van Horn states the Canadian Pacific will be completed to the Pacific Ocean in seven weeks.

Gen. Lew Wallace, ex-Minister to Turkey, arrived in New York on the steamship Fulda. He says that the Sultan is a warm friend of the United States and maintains his influence in every occasion that offers.

In the rifle contest at Bingen-on-the-Rhine, Roder, of the New York team, was the runner-up.

Carl Sproul, lately Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, has been offered a Dukedom by the Queen.

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